

1885-015
Lee Co.

Chancery Causes: Gdn. of Sarah Colson vs. Sarah E. Colson &
Arva S. Colson vs. John R. Gibson, gdn.

Susong, Snellen, Shumake, Wheeler

CA-Estate Dispute
T-Property

To the Hon. John A. Kelly Judge of the Circuit
Court of Lee County Virginia:

Humbly complaining Your Orator John R.
Gibson guardian for Sarah Bolson aged about 13
years, and only heir at law of John W. Bolson dead,
would respectfully show unto your Honor, that on
the day of Decr. 1883 he qualified as such guar-
dian and gave bond in the county Court of Lee
County in the penalty of \$600.00 with Henry J. Morgan
as his security, and a copy of said bond is herewith
filed as a part of this bill Marked (A)

Your Orator states that many years ago one
Arva Bolson after making and publishing his last
will and testament departed this life the owner
of a tract of land lying and being in said County
of Lee, on the South side of the Potomac valley ridge
about 8 miles east of Cumberland Gap, containing
about 115 acres; At the death of said Bolson he left
a widow Sarah Bolson and 5 children to wit Aron
S. Bolson, John W. Bolson, Wm. J. Bolson, Juliana Bol-
son and Rebecca Bolson; The said will was duly
admitted to probate, and by it said Sarah Bolson
the widow took a life estate in said tract of land

and at her death, (which occurred in May 1881) said tract of land was to belong to said five children.

In the mean time however your Orator states, that said William J. Balsam departed this life intestate unmarried and without issue so that his interest in said tract of land descended to his Brothers and Sisters.

The said John W. Balsam after having married died intestate leaving a widow who is now dead also, and only one heir at law, to wit Sarah Balsam your Orators ward to whom has descended one undivided fourth part of said tract of land. The said Juliana Balsam intermarried with James F. Snellen who has since died leaving the said Juliana his widow who now resides in the state of Kentucky; and the said Rebecca Balsam married Bales Shumake and they too reside in the state of Kentucky. Your Orator further states that within the last twelve months, the said Juliana Snellen and Bales Shumake and wife for the sum of Six hundred dollars, being their hundred per share, have sold and conveyed their undivided interest in said tract of land, which is one half thereof, to one James M. Wheeler who is a contiguous land owner, and about the first of Dec: 1883 the said Anna S. Balsam

contracted and sold to said Wheeler his undivided fourth part of said land for the sum of three hundred dollars so that said Wheeler now owns three fourths of said tract of land, and said Sarah Bolson your Orators ward the remaining one fourth part.

Your Orator states that his said Ward has been raised from infancy by her Uncle Aron S. Bolson with whom she now resides, but who intends in a very short time to remove to some one of the western states, with the view of bettering his condition in life, and it is his intention to take with him the said Sarah Bolson your Orators ward.

Your Orator further states that in the event his said ward should die during infancy unmarried and without issue her interest in said tract of land would descend and pass to Aron S. Bolson James a Smullen & Rebecca Shusnake wife of Bales Shusnake

Your Orator further states that at the time said Aron S. Bolson sold his interest in said tract of land to said James M. Wheeler, he also sold or contracted to sell to Mr Wheeler the interest of said Sarah Bolson therein for the price of three hundred dollars, and

the same to be paid as soon as a Court of equity should ratify and approve the sale so made by a proper decree in a cause brought for that purpose

Your Orator states that said Wheeler is willing to take said Sarah Bolson's interest in said land, at the price of \$300.00 and if it should be thought best to offer said land at public sale to the highest bidder, that he will in that event make the same bring that sum

Your Orator now charges that the interest of his said ward, Sarah Bolson will be promoted by a ratification and approval of the sale of her land so made to said Wheeler, or a sale thereof outright, and to attain that end, by one or the other of these modes is the object of this Suit. Your Orator's prayer therefore is, that said Sarah Bolson, James M. Wheeler, Howard D. Bolson, Juliana Snellan, Bales Shumake and Rebecca Shumake his wife be made defendants to this bill and required to answer fully the statements thereof, that a guardian ad litem be appointed to defend the interest of said Sarah Bolson in this Suit, that an Order of publication be entered, posted & published

against Julius Sullen Balis Sumanaka and wife,
and upon a final hearing of the cause that a decree
be entered confirming and approving the sale of the
infants land to said Wheeler on the terms proposed
or if it should be deemed more advisable that said
land be sold to the highest bidder upon such terms
as the court may prescribe, And your Orator
prays for all general relief, May the Commonwealths
writ of Subpoena issue directed &c.

Henry J. Morgan for Plaintiff

I do swear that the statements
made in the foregoing bill are true
so far as made on my own knowledge
and so far as made on information
believe them true so help me god.

John R. Gibson
Sworn to before me this
March 27th 1884.

Henry J. Morgan Court.

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D 10.00
A 15.00
GAL. 5.00
\$37.22

John H. Gibson Guard & Co.

vs. { Orig. Bill

Sarah Colson to them.

1884 Subj Rules Bills Filed.

" " Ans. L.A.L. filed

" " ans of recpts filed.

" Marsh Cause set for hearing

" Marsh Decree Cont'd

1885, Mr. Decree Cont'd

To the Hon. John A. Kelly Judge of the Circuit Court
of Lee County Virginia:

The Petitioner of Anna S. Colson a citizen of
Bosque County in the State of Texas would respectfully
show unto your Honor that by proceedings had before the
county court of the said County of Bosque on the 5th day
of May 1884 your petitioner was appointed Guardian for
one Sarah ^E Colson who now as heretofore resides with him
and that he gave bond before the said County Court in the
sum of Six hundred dollars with John C. Main and Wm H.
Everett as securities all of which will more fully appear
by reference to a Transcript from the records of said County of
Bosque State of Texas herewith filed as a part of this Petition
marked (A) Your Petitioner further states that his securities
in his official bond as such guardian in said County of Bosque
are solvent and good for the full penalty of said bond, and
this fact is amply shown by the affidavit of two witnesses
certified to be credible persons, herewith filed as a further part
of this petition marked (B)

Your Petitioner now states that John R. Gibson is the Guardian
of the said Sarah E. Colson in Lee County State of Virginia
and that he as such guardian now has in his hands the
sum of \$300.00 with interest thereon from the 27th day of March
1884, which was received by him from one Jm. Wheeler as the
purchase price of said Sarah E. Colson's land, sold in the
chancery cause of John R. Gibson guardian against said
Sarah E. Colson & others still pending in this Honorable Court.

Petitioner however states that the costs of said chancery

sent are to be paid out of said \$300 now in the hands of
said John R. Gibson as such guardian.

Your Petitioner further states that if said Sarah E. Bolton
should die during infancy unmarried, without issue and
intestate, the money now in said Gibson's hands would des-
cend and pass to Juliana Spellan, Rebecca Shumake
of Bulis Shumake both of whom reside in Kentucky, and
to your petitioner.

Your petitioner states that he and the said Sarah E. Bolton
until recently were citizens of Lee County Va. and emigrated
to their new home in Bosque county Texas in the Spring
of 1884. And your petitioner now prays your Honor to
order and direct the said John R. Gibson as such guardian
in Lee County Va. to turn over and transfer the fund now
in his hands to your Petitioner as Guardian for said
Sarah E. Bolton in Bosque County State of Texas so that the
same may be invested in real estate for her benefit, and
as in duty bound your petitioner will ever pray &c.

Arvon S. Bolton Foreign Guardian
for Sarah E. Bolton
By H. J. Morgan atty.

Anna S. Colson Guardian

vs. } Petition for Trans. of Money

John H. Gibson Guardian

To The Hon Jno A Kelly Judge of the
Circuit Court of Lewis & Cla

The answer of Sarah ~~Heblow~~
the infant deft, by Jno M. Morgan her
Guardian Ad Litem to bill filed in this
honorable court against her and others
by Jno R. Gibson her Statutory Guardian

Respondent says on behalf of said
ward That she is young and of tender
years, and as such is the subject
of the guardian care of courts of Equity

And to your honors care the interest
of this said ward, in the suit now
pending in your honors court, is respect
fully committed.

This Respondent for want of knowledge
in relation to the Real estate now it
to be sold, is not prepared that his
words in court, would be promoted by
the sale of her real estate, nor is he
prepared to deny that her interest might
be protected by such sale, consequently
Respondent, will neither deny nor affirm
the Allegations of the plaintiffs bill on
that subject. But Respondent will say
that Real Estate is a sure and safe
investment for infants, and that Real
Estate, belonging to infants should not be sold
and converted into personalty, Except for

good and sufficient Reasons.

Respondent, now trusting the intent of
his said word, to your Honors Guardian
come, and having answered Affs bill as
fully as he deems Material, He prays
that - she be hence dismissed &c.

Jno M Morgan C. A. & B
for Sarah Leeson.

Sarah Leeson

ad. by Guardian of Life

Jno M Morgan

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J. A. G. Hyatt
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To the Hon, John A. Kelly Judge of the Circuit
Court of Lee County Virginia:

The separate answer of James M. Wheeler to a bill filed in this Honorable Court against him
others by John R. Gibson guardian for Sarah Balsam

This respondent says it is true as stated by the Pff
that he has purchased three fourths of the tract of land
in the bill mentioned, that is to say. Julius Snellens
interest therein, Balus Shumake & wife's interest therein
Arwad S. Balsam's interest therein, and that he paid
each of said parties the sum of \$300.00 for their respective
interests making \$900. for the three fourths so purchased.

Respondent further says that it is also true, that
he agreed with said Arwad S. Balsam to pay for said
Sarah Balsam's interest in said land, the like sum of
three hundred dollars when a court of equity should
ratify and approve such purchase, and should take
upon its self the duty of passing to him the title of said
infant, and he is now ready and willing to make
good that agreement, although the price agreed to be
paid is a full and fair price all things considered.

It is also true that this respondent agreed with
said Aaron S. Galsen if your Honor should see fit
to decline to approve said Sale, and should order
a Sale of said interest outright, that in such event,
respondent would make said interest bring \$300.00,
and he now holds himself ready to make good that
agreement, and respondent having now answered
as fully as deemed material prays to be heard & dismissed
January 21th 1884

James M. Wheeler

James M. Wheeler

vs } Answer

John H. Galsen guardian

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J. H. Hyatt

adv

To the Hon John A. Kelly Judge of the Circuit
Court of Lee County Va

The joint answer of Arva S. Balsam, Juliana
Smullen, & Balis Shumake, and Rebecca Shumake his wife,
to a bill filed in this Honorable Court against them & others,
by John N. Gibson guardian for Sarah Balsam, infant,
and only heir at law of John W. Balsam deceased:

These respondents say it is true, that they have
each sold out their interest in the tract of land in the
plaintiffs bill mentioned, to James M. Wheeler, and
that they realized therefor the sum of \$700.00 being \$300.00
per share, and that said Wheeler is now the
owner of three fourths of said tract of land, and
that Sarah Balsam the infant, dft., is the owner
of the remaining one fourth part thereof.

Respondents further say they suppose it true, that
if said Sarah Balsam should die during infancy unmarried
and without issue, her interest in said land would descend
and pass to these respondents, but notwithstanding this
fact, these respondents say they have nothing to urge
against the object sought by the Plff in his bill, But on

the contrary they hereby give their free consent for
the court to dispose of the subject as to it may seem
meet and proper.

And respondents having answered as fully as deemed
necessary pray to be hence dismissed

Anna S. Colver

Felena Snelling

Bayke Shumate

Rebecca Shumate

Anna S. Colver others

vs
John R. Gibson Executor

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J. A. Hyatt

clerk

To the Hon. John A. Kelly Judge of the Circuit Court
of Lee County Virginia;

The separate Answer of Sarah Balsam
to a bill filed against her and others by John R. Gibson
in this Honorable Court,
her Guardian, This respondent says that she
is now nearly 14 years old, that she has been raised
from early infancy by her Uncle Arva S. Balsam, and
is much attached to him and his family, He has
recently sold his interest in the farm on which he
now lives to James M. Wheeler for \$300.00 and is prepar-
ing to move west. and this respondent says, that
while she is too young to be a competent judge of
such matters, still she is anxious to go with her
uncle to the west, and thinks her interest will
be promoted by a confirmation of the sale of her
interest in said land, made by Arva S. Balsam her
uncle to James M. Wheeler, or that her said interest
be decreed to be sold by your Honor as to you may
seem best. Respondent further says that her father &
mother both died, while she was so young, that she knows
nothing of the affection and kindness generally bestowed
by parents on their offspring. She further says that her
nearest relatives are Mrs Snellen and Mrs Shunake

who reside in Kentucky, and Anna S. Colson, and
that when the latter shall leave here, she will have
no ties to bind her to the place where she now is,
and her desire is, that the little estate she now
owns may be so disposed of here, as that the same
may be soon transferr'd to some new home in the
Western States, where fate and destiny may chance
to locate her. Respondent having now answered
the plaintiffs bill as fully as she is advised it is necessary
prays hence to be discharged:

Sally Colson

Subscribed and Sworn to before me
by Sarah Colson the infant defendant
in the cause referred to this 28 day
of January, 1884

R. E. Crockett J.P.

Sarah Colson

Ans } Answer

John R. Gibson Guardian

Filed Feb 13/1884

J. A. Hyatt

clerk

John R. Gibson	Guard &c.	Peff	} In lby
vs.			
Sarah E. Bolson	& others	Defts	
Arwa S. Bolson	Guard &c.	Peff	} On a Petition
vs.			
John R. Gibson	Guard &c.	Defts	

These causes came on to be finally heard on the papers formerly read therein and the report of Henry J. Morgan filed in the first cause on the 10th day of May 1885 showing the execution of the deed on the part of Sarah E. Bolson to James M. Wheeler. And the report of John R. Gibson filed in the second cause on the 8th day of May 1885 showing that he as the home guardian had transmitted to Arwa S. Bolson the foreign guardianship for said Sarah E. Bolson the \$268.13 heretofore ordered to be turned over to him, and was argued by counsel. And said two reports being unopposed to. On consideration of all which it is adjudged ordered & decreed that said two reports be in all things confirmed and the clerk of this will deliver to the clerk of the county court said deed. and said Wheeler will pay cost Morgan \$250 for the execution thereof, and no further action being necessary in these causes they are each stricken from the docket.

John R. Nelson Guard

or

Samuel E. Nelson sub

Arson S. Nelson Guard

or

John R. Nelson Guard

Done final

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J. A. S. Hyatt clh

Entered this

J. A. S.

Aug 21/83

John R. Gibson Guard & Peff. }
 vs. } In Lij
 Sarah Balsom & others } Defts.

This cause came on this day to be further heard on the papers formerly read in the cause. and the report of John R. Gibson filed herein on the 10th day of March 1885. Showing that James M. Wheeler the purchaser of the land of said Sarah Balsom, had fully paid the purchase price thereof, to said Gibson and that the latter had paid the costs of this suit & other incidental expenses. and was argued by counsel, and the said report being unaccepted to. On consideration of all which It is adjudged ordered & decreed. that said report of said Gibson be and the same is hereby confirmed. and Henry J. Morgan is hereby appointed a Special Commissioner for the purpose. who is directed to convey to said James M. Wheeler with covenants of Special Warranty said Sarah Balsom's undivided interest in the tract of land in the bill mentioned the same being an undivided fourth part thereof.

And thereupon Arva S. Balsom of Bosque County State of Texas filed his Petition in this cause as guardian for said Sarah Balsom in the State and County last named. accompanied by the documentary evidence filed as exhibits therewith as required by Chapter 125 Code of Virginia of 1873. praying that the fund now in the hands of said John R. Gibson as shown in his said report. be transferred from his ^{as} ~~as~~ ^{for said Sarah Balsom} guardian to the hands of said Arva S. Balsom her guardian in Bosque County in the State of Texas. On consideration of the matters of the said petition with the papers of the original cause. It is further

adjudged ordered and decreed that John R. Gibson the
 guardian for Sarah Bolson do pay deliver and transfer
 to Anna S. Bolson foreign guardian for said Sarah Bolson. said
 sum of \$268.13 now in his hands as shown by his said
 report first herein referred to. And said Gibson and
 said Morgan will report their action to the court under
 this decree, and until the coming in thereof the cause is
 continued;

John R. Gibson guardian

107 } Dec 1883

Sarah E. Bolson et al

Mich Term 1883

Entered A.B. Page
 438.

J.R. Robinson D.C.

Entered this
 for A.K.
 Mar 28/85

John R. Gibson Plaintiff. Peff.
 vs.
 Sarah Balsam & others Defts. } In Chancery

This cause came on this day to be heard on the bill of the Peff, the answer of the infant defendant by her guardian ad litem John M. Morgan and the personal answer of said infant, the answer of James M. Wheeler, the joint answer of Arva S. Balsam, Juliana Snellum and Basil Shumake and wife, and the deposition of witnesses and was argued by counsel. On consideration of all which it appears to the court that the interest of the ^{infant} defendant Sarah Balsam will be promoted by the ratification and approval of the sale of her interest in said lands to the deft James M. Wheeler at the price of three hundred dollars. It is therefore adjudged ordered and decreed that the conditional sale of said infants interest in the tract of land in the bill mentioned made by Arva S. Balsam to said J. M. Wheeler for the sum of \$300.00 with interest from this day be and the same is hereby approved and confirmed. And the Peff John R. Gibson will receive from said J. M. Wheeler the purchase price of said land, and hold the same subject to the future order of the court. * The cause is continued.

* But before acting under this decree said J. R. Gibson will execute a bond in the penalty of \$400.00 with good security, conditioned faithfully to account for any money received by him under this decree.

John R. Gibson Guard &c

vs. { Deem No. 1

Sarah Nelson &c

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J. A. S. Hyatt
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~~of and c. H.~~

Entered this
March 27/84.

J. A. K. 

John R. Gibson guardian &c.

Plff

vs.

J. B. Biscuit

Sarah Balsam & others

Defts cant. Lee County.

Mr John M. Morgan guardian ad litem for Sarah Balsam
you will take notice that at the Store House of
Whelan & Ball in said County on the 28th day of Jan 1884
I will proceed to take the deposition of Thomas Gibson
Jr ——— and A. J. Sarsong which are intended
to be read as evidence on behalf of the plaintiff in the
above styled suit. And during the examination of
said witnesses the following questions will be propounded
to each of them:

- 1 Are you acquainted with the tract of land lately
owned by the heirs of Anna Balsam dead. And if so, state
who are the present owners thereof, whether the same
has been partitioned or not, and what is its present
condition as to its improvement and repairs?
- 2 Is said land so situated as that if one undivided fourth
part was offered for sale publicly, to the highest bidder
it would be likely to bring a fair and full price,
or is it so situated that it would be likely not to do so?

- 3 In the present condition of said tract of land, is \$300.00 a fair and full price for one undivided fourth part thereof or is that price below the fair cash value thereof?
- 4 Would \$300.00 if put at interest yield a greater or a less sum annually than the rents and profits of one fourth part of said land after paying for absolute necessary repairs?
- 5 Would the interest of the infant defendant be best subserved by a confirmation of the sale of her interest to James M. Wheeler at the sum of \$300.00, or would it be best subserved by offering her interest at public outcry to the highest bidder on a reasonable credit?
- 6 When Anna S. Bolson shall have died, will Sarah Bolson have any near relatives left in this State and County, and will not all the members of the family of which she forms a part have left the State and County.

John H. Gibson Guardian.

I as guardian ad litem for Sarah Bolson agree that the deposition of the witnesses named be taken at the place and time stated upon the foregoing interrogatories, and that when so taken the same may be read in the cause as evidence.

John M. Maynor.

John H. Gibson guardian &c. vs. }
vs. }

Sarah Colson & others

Defts }

In Chancery.

The deposition of Thomas Gibson Jr
and A. J. Sasing taken at the Store House of Wheelers Place on the
28th day of Jan. 1884 pursuant to notice, and upon interrog-
atories hereto attached and returned, which are intended
to be read as evidence on the part of the plaintiff in the
above styled cause now pending in the Circuit Court
of Lee County, Virginia:

The said Thomas S. Gibson being duly sworn and of
lawful age deposes and says.

In Answer to the first question the witness says

Answer

To question 1

I am acquainted with the Land
J. M. Wheeler has a deed for half
of the Land; and has a contract for one
half of the half its being A. J. Colson
and Sarah Colson also
part; there has been no division of the
Land the condition of the Land is bad
and the improvements is bad

question 2

answer to question second

I would consider it would not bring
a fair price at Publick sale

3 question the third

I think (\$300.00) three hundred dollars would be a fair price for one undivided fourth of the Land

4 answer to fourth question

The Money and interest would be worth more than the Land in the present condition

5 answer to question fifth

I think the sale or contract to Wheeler would be best at (\$300.00) three hundred Dollars

6 answer to question the sixth

I know of no Relative in this Country too take care of ^{Sarah Colson} ~~her~~ after A & L Colson leave ^{Her J. Gibson, Jr.} and further this deponent sayeth not Postponed until February 4 at the House of R. C. Crockett

The Said J. J. Gibson being duly sworn and of lawful age deposes and says

Answer to question 1 I am acquainted with the Land I. M. Wheeler has sold for one half the Land and has purchased A. S. Colsons Interest of said Land and also has

a contract for Sarah Colsons share
it never has been divided I consider
it in bad condition as to improvement
and repairs

Answer to 2 question I consider it would not
bring a fair price at public sale

Answer to 3 question I think three hundred
dollars would be a fair price for the
undivided fourth of the Land

Answer to 4 question I think the Trust of
\$300.00 would ^{be} worth more than the Land

Answer to 5 question I think the Purchase by
Wheeler at \$300.00 dollars Best

Answer to 6 question Not any as I may after
S & Colson leaves and further this
deponent says the not

A. J. Susong

Virginia Lee County Court.

The foregoing depositions of Thomas S. Colson Jr
and A. J. Susong were taken before me sworn to and
Subscribed by them on the 28th day of Jan'y and 4th
day of Feb 1884 and at the places mentioned in the
caption and proceedings. Given under my hand
this 4th day of Feb. 1884.

R. E. Crockett Jr.

Sarah Colson
ads ³ Depo.

John R. Gibson Quar. re

Recd in good condition
by mail and filed.
Febry 13 1884.

J. A. Hyatt
clerk

John R. Gibson Guard & Off.
as.
Sarah E. Balsam rel Defts } In Chg

To the Hon John A. Kelly Judge of the Circuit
Court of San County.

As requested by your decree entered in this cause on
the 27th day of March 1884, I have executed the land
as required thereby in the sum of \$400.00 with Henry J. Morgan
as security and herewith file the same marked (A)

On the 28 of Nov. 1884. James M. Wheeler the purchaser
of Sarah E. Balsam's land paid me the purchase price thereof
of \$300. with interest thereon from March 27 1884 to the day
of payment amounting in the aggregate to \$312.00 and
there being no court in Nov. 1884 I loaned said \$312.00
until March 24 1885 at which time there will be
due about \$317.85 out of that sum must be paid the costs
of this suit, the costs of a petition of Avery Balsam foreign
guardian for said Sarah E. Balsam, some small incidental
charges, and some small compensation due me for my trouble
in the premises and when these are paid it will leave
in my hands the sum of \$268.13 Receipts for all these
costs and charges are herewith filed marked, 1, 2, 3, 4.

Mr Wheeler having paid the purchase price for the
land of said Sarah E. Balsam is entitled to a conveyance
for the same

Said Sum of \$ I am ready and willing to dispose
of as your Honor may direct

Respectfully Submitted

John R. Gibson

John R Gibson Grand

25. } Report of Purchase money

Sarah E. Gibson tal

Filed March 10th 1885

J. Alstyatt
clerk

Know all men by these presents that we John R. Gibson and Henry J. Morgan are held and firmly bound unto the Commonwealth of Virginia in the sum of Four hundred dollars, for the payment thereof, we bind ourselves joint and severally firmly by these presents, and we waive the benefit of our homestead exemptions as to this bond. Given under our hands and seals this the 1st day of January 1883. The condition of the above bond is such that by a decree of the Circuit Court of Lee County, entered on the 27th day of March 1884 in the chancery cause of John R. Gibson Guardian & against Sarah E. Colson & others pending in said court the said Gibson before collecting any money in that cause was ordered to execute bond before the Clerk of said court in the sum of \$400.00 with good security.

Now if the said John R. Gibson shall well and faithfully account for, and pay all money which may come into his hands by virtue of the proceedings had in said cause, to the proper parties or such persons as the court shall direct, then this bond to be void otherwise to remain in full force & virtue.

John R. Gibson Seal
Henry J. Morgan Seal

John R. Gibson Guar

vs ³₄

Bond

Arad Colson et al

Filed Jan 2. 1885-

J. A. Hyatt C C

(A)

Received of John R. Gibson guardian for Sarah E. Balsam fifteen
dollars the attorneys fee in and out for the sale of said
winds land, and five dollars as a fee in the petition case
of Arva S. Balsam foreign guardian for said Sarah E. Balsam.

Henry J. Morgan atts.

March 24 1885

Received of John R. Gibson as above the sum of five dollars
the Guardian ad litem fee in the above cause

John M. Morgan Guardian ad litem

March 24 1885

Received of John R. Gibson as above, five dollars, for publishing
notice in Lee County sum, of application of Arva S. Balsam
foreign guardian for Sarah E. Balsam for removal of funds in
said Balsams hands;

March 24 1885.

A. M. Garret Editor Lee

Co. Va.

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Received of John R. Gibson Guar. for
Sarah E. Colson, Seven Dollars & 72 Cents
in full of my fees including fees of dismission
in the Chancery Cause of said Guar. against
Sarah E. Colson et al, April 1st 1886:

J Alistyatt Clerk
U S Circuit Court

J. R. Gibson Esq

To 5 Fee Rec
3 \$ 7.72

J. A. Hyatt

1882 H. C. Gaslym Admr. of W. J. Colson decd
To the Clerk of Lee County Court Dr.

July. Lux on grant of Administration 100 bond oath & 100 fee, or
John R. Gibson Clerk.

H. B. Jocelyn
Adm

\$ 2.00

No. 5

John R. Gibson	Guard &c.	Peff	} In Lohy
as			
Sarah E. Balsam	rel &	Defts	} On a Petition
Ara S. Balsam	guard &c.	Peff	
as			
John R. Gibson	Guard &c.	Deft	

To the Hon John A. Kelly Judge of the Circuit Court of Lee County Va.

Pursuant to your decree entered in these cases on the 28th day of March 1885 I have made executed and acknowledged for record a deed conveying to James M. Wheeler said Sarah E. Balsam undivided interest in the 115 acre tract of land sold said Wheeler in the first of said causes, and the said deed is here filed marked (A) All which is respectfully submitted.

Henry J. Morgan Cant.
April 29 1885

John R. Nelson Guard

no. } Comr. Report of duck

Sarah E. Nelson tal

Filed May the 1st 1885

J. A. Hyatt C. C.

Enter
In. 24/85
apt. 24/85-

\$268.13

Received of John R Gibson guardian for Sarah E. Bolson in Lee County Va. the Sum of Two hundred and Sixty Eight dollars & 13 cents the amount directed to be transmitted to me as foreign guardian for said Sarah E Bolson by the Circuit Court of Lee County Va. in the cause of John R Gibson guardian &c. against said Sarah E Bolson & others, and the Petition case of Aaron S. Bolson guard &c. against John R Gibson Guardian &c.

A S Bolson Guardian for
Sarah E. Bolson in Boone Co Texas
April the 22 1885

(B)

John R. Gibson Guard &c.

vs.

Sarah E. Colson & others

Anna S. Colson Guard &c.

vs.

John R. Gibson Guard &c.

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In Chy.

On a Petition

As directed by your deem interest in these causes on
the 28th day of March 1885 I have transmitted by mail
to Anna S. Colson guardian for Sarah E. Colson in Bosque
county Texas the sum of \$268.13 as shown by his receipt her
with filed marked (B) and I have now paid out all the
money that has come into my hands as guardian for said
Sarah E. Colson in San Co. Tex.

Respectfully Submitted

John R. Gibson Guard in San Co. Tex.

May 5th 1885

Anna S. Balsam Guard

27. } Com. report of Treas. of Money.

John H. Balsam guard

Filed May the 8 1885

The State of Texas & In it numbered
County of Borden that on this the 5th day
of May A.D. 1884. there
was begun and holden a regular term
of the County Court of Borden County
it being the first Monday thereof for
Criminal and Probate business.

Officers Present

Hon R. S. Chickness, County Judge Presiding
W. M. Knight County Attorney
E. W. Roush County Clerk
W. H. Whitworth Sheriff

Court opened by Public Proclamation
of the Sheriff at the door of the Court house
thereof at 9 o'clock A.M.

Business as follows.

N^o 396. A. S. Coulson Guardian
of Estate Sarah Coulson
minor

Be it remembered that on
this the 5th day of May, 1884, this cause
came on for to hear the application of
A. S. Coulson to be appointed Guardian
of the Estate of Sarah C. Coulson a minor
and it appearing to the Court that said
application had been filed and notice
given as required and no objections

ward. And that applicant was a suitable person and not disqualified by Law to accept said Guardianship And said Sarah E. Bouleson, being over the age of fourteen years, having filed her waiver of issuance of citation, And made oath of said A. S. Bouleson, in writing as provided by law, it is therefore ordered by the court that A. S. Bouleson, be appointed Guardian of the Estate of said Sarah Elizabeth Bouleson, and that letters of Guardianship do issue to said A. S. Bouleson, upon his giving a good and sufficient bond in the sum of Six hundred Dollars, with at least two good securities and taking the oath prescribed by Law, and this cause coming on further to be heard and now comes into open court - A. S. Bouleson and presents his Bond in the sum of Six hundred Dollars with John C. Mann, and M. H. Everett as securities, and after examining said Bond and finding the same in due form and the securities being solvent, it is ordered by the court that said Bond be in all things approved and recorded in the minutes of the court, and that letters of Guardianship do issue to said A. S. Bouleson.

The State of Texas 30 George W. Sanders
County of Bexar 3 Clerk of the County Court

in and for the County of Bosque and
State of Texas do hereby certify that the
above and foregoing is a true and
correct copy of the orders of ~~court~~
said County Court for matters of
probate as appears from the minutes
of said Court, in Cause No 398
of the Probate Docket and styled A S
Conlson Guardian of the Estate of
Sarah E. Conlson, a minor, that
Honorable R. B. Schindler is the Judge
of said Court and I am the Clerk
of said Court and Custodian of
the Records and Seal of said Court.

In Testimony Whereof I have signed
my hand and Official Seal of Office
this June 10th 1882.

G. M. Randal
Clerk of Probate Texas.

The State of Texas R. B. Schindler
County of Bosque County Judge of
Bosque County
the State of Texas do hereby certify that
George M. Randal is the duly qualified
and acting clerk of the Court of said
County of Bosque, that he is the custo-
dian of the records and seal of said
Court, and all his official acts, and
authentications, are entitled to full faith
and credit as such and that the orders
and copies above certified to by him are

The case of A. Coulson Guardian
Of the Estate of Sarah E. Coulson is
correct and in due form according
to the statute of this state

Given under my hand on
this 10th day of June A.D. 1884

R. G. Childress
County Judge Bexar Co. Texas

Certified Copy-

Probate Order of

County Court Bexar Co.

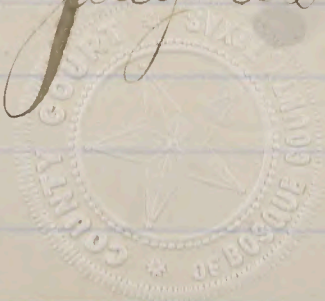
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The State of Texas } Before me
County of Bosque } Geo. W. Randal
Clerk of the
County Court of said County of
Bosque: this day personally appeared
J. K. Helton and W. W. Marshall
both credible Citizens of said
Bosque County. To me well known
-w. who being by me duly sworn
on their Oaths do say, that they are
well acquainted with John C. Main
and Wm N. Everett Sureties on the
Bond of A. S. Caulson Guardian
of Sarah Elizabeth Caulson, and
the said John C. Main and Wm
N. Everett, are each perfectly
solvent and good for the sum
of Six Hundred Dollars, that
being the amount of said Bond.

J. K. Helton
W. W. Marshall

Sworn to and Subscribed before
me. In Witness whereof I hereunto
set my name and affix the Seal
of the County Court at Office in the
town of Meridian this the 14th day
of July A.D. 1884.

Geo. W. Randal
Clerk County of Bosque Co. Texas



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Publisher's Certificate.

JONESVILLE, VA., Oct 31st, 1884.
I, A. M. Goins, Publisher of the LEE COUNTY SUN,
a weekly newspaper published at Jonesville, Lee County, Virginia, do certify that the annexed
Chancery Order was published four successive weeks in said newspaper, publication ending
Oct 31st, 1884 A. M. Goins, Publisher.

IN CHANCERY.

John R. Gibson, Guardian, &c., Plff.; vs.
Sarah Colson and others. Defts.

To all whom it may concern: Notice is
hereby given that the undersigned as Guar-
dian for said Sarah Colson, in Bosque
county, State of Texas, will make applica-
tion by petition to the Judge of the Cir-
cuit Court of Lee County, Virginia, in the
above styled cause therein pending for an
order to be entered therein directing John
R. Gibson, as the Guardian for Sarah Col-
son, in Lee county, Va., to transfer and pay
over to the undersigned, as her Guardian
in Bosque county, Texas, the net proceeds
in his hands arising from the sale of said
Colsons' land sold in the above styled
cause.

ARVA S COLSON,

Foreign Guardian for Sarah Colson.

By H. J. MORGAN, Atty.

October 5th, 1884.

Pub. Fee \$ 5.00

Anna S. Bolson Grant

To { Motion of Application

John R. Bolson Grant &

Publisher's Certificate.

JONESVILLE, VA., Oct. 3rd, 1884
I, A. M. Gains, Publisher of the LEE COUNTY SUN,
a weekly newspaper published at Jonesville, Lee County, Virginia, do certify that the annexed
Chancery Order was published four successive weeks in said newspaper, publication ending
Oct. 3rd, 1884
A. M. Gains, Publisher.

ON A PETITION.

Arva S. Colson, Guard'n, &c., Plaintiff,
vs.

John R. Gibson, Guardian, &c., Defendant

Notice is hereby given to Julena Snellan and
Balis Shumake and Rebecca Shumake his
wife, and all others concerned, that an appli-
cation will be made to the Judge of the Cir-
cuit Court of Lee County, Virginia, at the Au-
gust term of said court for the year 1884, for
an order to transfer from the hands of John
R. Gibson, Guardian for Sarah E. Colson in
Lee county, Virginia, to the hands of Arva S.
Colson, her guardian, in Borgue county, Tex-
as, the proceeds of the sale of said Sarah E.
Colson's land in Lee county, Virginia, now in
said Gibson's hands.

ARVA S. COLSON, foreign,
Guardian for S. E. Colson.

July 30th, 1884

Ref fee \$3.00

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John R. Gibson Esq.

Pub. fee \$5.00